

WERLEIN TAKES UP CHARGES OF GRAFT

Mayorality Candidate Talks at Kenton on Assertions of Lombard.

COMMISSION RULE URGED

City Treasurer Asks Why His Opponent Does Not Cause Arrest of Men He Accuses of Misconduct in Office.

Addressing the voters of Kenton last night, City Treasurer Werlein took his opponent, Gay Lombard, to task for preferring wholesale charges of graft against the City Council without taking some steps towards seeing that the evidence were prosecuted. Mr. Werlein said that members of the Council can be punished under city ordinances for such misconduct without even taking their cases before the District Attorney and a grand jury, neither of which courses was adopted by Lombard.

"There is no form of government under the sun," said Mr. Werlein. "that could meet with public approval with the charges and counter charges of bribery, graft, etc., that are now being hurled back and forth by those who are responsible for the enactment of laws in the City of Portland."

Werlein Puts Query.

"Mr. Lombard was a member of the City Council for months and he now charges graft and corruption. Did he resign from the Council on account of the corruption he now claims was by him?" No, Lombard answered. "I was a member of the Council, but for only a month, the first time I received evidence of wrongdoing was on the 15th of April, by Mr. Lombard, I would then and there have brought the wrongdoers before the courts of justice and had them sent to prison."

"I furthermore say to Mr. Lombard, if you have the evidence in your possession to substantiate the charges of graft, bribery, etc., as a law-abiding citizen, ask you to turn them over with me and I will, under the charter, show you the way to punish the evildoer. There are many laws in the ordinance book of this city providing a penalty for the violation thereof. If a violator is not punished, can you blame the law? No, but rather charge it to the lack of diligence on the part of those who have sworn to enforce the laws."

Mr. Werlein took up the subject of good government and what it means to Kenton, touching upon the phenomenal growth and progress that section of the city has made during the last two years. As Mayor, Mr. Werlein assured his audience that he would join in every legitimate undertaking for the advancement, not only of Kenton, but all other progressive districts of the city. He closed his address by saying that while charges of corruption and fraud were being exchanged between Rushlight and Lombard, he could with becoming modesty ask you to make an object of better and single suspicious act in either my public or private life.

Discussing the present city government and his position as to the proposed commission form of government, Mr. Werlein said:

People Control Charter Here.

"Cities are governed by charters in some instances granted by Legislatures and in others, like in Portland, the charter is controlled exclusively by the people."

"The power of being governed will never again be the voting power of Portland. It will be the power of the people. The law will be changed by the people, the Mayor must work under the requirements of the charter in existence at the time of his election, and it shall be my purpose if elected Mayor to give an opportunity to change our form of government as soon as possible."

"We need to try every good governmental expedient, but after they have been adopted, we must see that the root of the matter lies in the character of the citizen whom you elect to enforce the law."

At Hallwood last Friday evening Mr. Lombard made the statement that if the commission form of government was up for adoption it would carry by a vote of ten to one; a test vote was taken and a slim third of the audience arose.

Assertion Is Made.

"I venture the assertion that if the question were presented this—'who would like the commission form of government presented to them for study, please stand, every person in the audience would have stood."

WELL KNOWN PORTLAND NEWSPAPER MAN WHO DIED AT PARENTS' HOME IN ST. PAUL.



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did say Mr. Rushlight professes to have discovered. Let him produce the goods. "There are only two acts of mine as Councilman for which I am sorry. In fact, their commission deserves an apology. One of them was when I acted against my best judgment and assisted to give George L. Baker a special permit for his theater against the provisions of the building code. The other was when I permitted Rushlight to influence my vote in regard to sewer-pipe legislation in the Council."

WOMAN WISHES WERLEIN LUCK

Fair Supporter Sends Mayorality Candidate Four-Leaf Clover.

If women could vote in municipal elections in Portland, City Treasurer Werlein would find an additional source of strength in his candidacy for Mayor. At any rate, he could gamble on the vote of one enthusiastic woman supporter. In yesterday's mail Mr. Werlein received an anonymous note, written in an undisciplined woman's hand, and inclosing a four-leaf clover as an emblem of good luck. The writer not only failed to sing the missive but did not indicate a street address. The note was:

"I cannot vote for you but I can send good luck to you herein, hoping I am addressing the next Mayor of Portland."

LAW BREAKERS FINED

SALOONKEEPERS EVADE LAW AND ARE CAUGHT.

Sheriff Stevens Wages War on Sunday Violators and Court Hands Out Limit.

Hiding behind the technicality that his writs were the actual offender, W. Peterson, a Linnton saloonkeeper whose place was raided by the Sheriff last Sunday, did not appear in Justice Olson's court yesterday when the case came to trial, and the women, timid on the composition of the anti-tuberculosis drama, which he called "The Toll." At the very time when he was putting speeches in the mouths of the tubercular young man, the young doctor and other characters in the piece, the dread disease of which he was suffering fastened its talons on his busy hands.

Author Pays "the Toll."

The play was doomed never to see the footlights and the author to pay "the Toll" before his time. Jack Barrett was only 28.

Club Work Active.

To Mr. Barrett's efforts, as chairman of the entertainment committee, was due in a great measure the success of the entertainment given by the Press Club at the Hellig Theater, December 13, last.

Bridge Bond Case Up.

A preliminary hearing in the case of Faron Sons & Company against the city, to compel the city to return a \$25,000 certified check put up as a guarantee of good faith by the company when it put in its bid on the Broadway-bridge bonds, will be had before Federal Judge Benton on Monday. The hearing will consist of arguments by the attorneys upon the city's demurrer to the company's complaint. Should the court sustain the demurrer the next step will probably be the filing of an amended complaint by the company. But should the demurrer be overruled, it will be for the City Attorney to file his answer, setting out the city's reasons for refusing to return the bond. The city's contention is that the bid was not made in good faith, there not being good cause for rejecting the bond.

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Despite their lesser area, Germany, Russia and Austria produce more potatoes than the United States.

RUSHLIGHT TURNS CHARGES ON LOMBARD

Mayorality Aspirant Charges Rival With Being Assembly Product.

INSINCERITY IS ALLEGED

In Signed Statement Opponent Is Said to Have Not Shown Himself by Acts as Favorable to Commission Rule.

"Political trimmer," "assembly, boss-dominated candidates for Council" and "product of the notoriously and outrageously packed assembly of April, 1909," are among the terms by which A. G. Rushlight refers to his opponent, Lombard, in a signed statement issued yesterday. Mr. Rushlight said that this preliminary arraignment of Lombard by him is only the beginning of a campaign of equally pointed discussion of his rival, who will be asked many questions touching on his record as a Councilman.

Comparison Is Made.

"Since Mr. Lombard has been precise in promise-making as to what he will do after the election, it may be instructive to the good citizens of Portland to let the lamp of history shine on what Mr. Lombard has actually done since the time of his election as Councilman at-Large with the endorsement of the Republican city assembly, failed to take the stump and say a word in support of the commission form of government."

In 1908, the Council of the City of Portland appointed a committee of three, empowering the said committee to appoint a commission consisting of 15 taxpayers of the City of Portland to draft a new charter to remedy the defects of the present charter. The committee, composed of Mayor C. E. Clark, J. C. Baker, and C. J. Baker, each named five citizens to constitute the Charter Commission. The commission organized, electing Henry E. McClintock as chairman, and proceeded to work for half a year, submitting a charter embodying the commission form of government as its principal feature, and recommending the restraining and controlling public service corporations and paving companies, with all the strictness of the law, to the office of the then Council either one or three years, according to the date of election.

Assembly Is Recalled.

"Where was Mr. Lombard during this time? He cannot claim that he was a private citizen and therefore not called upon to speak with reference to the charter. It is to be remembered that at that very time Mr. Lombard, together with his fellow financier, Thomas Devlin, were the nominees for Councilman-at-Large at the outrageously packed assembly held in Baker Theater in April, 1909. The Board of Directors of the City of Portland assembled on the July following, and not only voted for the said charter embodying the commission form of government, but voted for it as a private citizen, and this notwithstanding the fact that the charter itself shortened my term of office one year."

Effect that he commended it and had voted for it.

"Like the original trimmers of history, Mr. Lombard, so far as the commission charter originated by the Council of which I was a member, which he now so loudly applauds, was concerned, occupied the debatable ground between the supporters and opponents of the charter, and followed the assembly practice of masterly inactivity and profound silence."

LOMBARD DENIES ALLEGATION

Attempt to Make Him Out Politician Amuses Him, He Says.

"Rushlight's apparent effort to make me out a professional politician is amusing to me and my friends," said Mr. Lombard in a statement. "Most emphatically I am not a politician and know very little about politics. Before I was nominated for Councilman-at-Large two years ago, I had not so much as attended a political meeting."

"An answer to Rushlight's statement, I will say that I did not attend the Republican city assembly in April, 1909, and I did not know any of the members of the assembly. I was not nominated for Councilman-at-Large until after the assembly had met. I attended only one meeting. It was held in the Selling-Hirsch Hall. I tried to make an address, but my knees shook so badly that I did not know what I was saying. If it elected I would try to do my duty—and I did. I accepted the nomination and election not as a politician but because I believed that every citizen interested in his city should take sufficient interest in public affairs to accept office."

"I voted for the commission charter in the election two years ago; talked to my friends and urged them to support it. In fact, I fully expected the commission plan to be adopted by the people. It did not require a very long time for me to learn the imperative need for a commission form of government or extensive amendments in the present charter. I have been contending for such a system ever since. That I am sincere in advocating a commission form of government at this time is evidenced by the fact that I made it an issue in this campaign. I included it as a plank in my platform and my opponents have both since endorsed it."

"It seems strange to me that Mr. Rushlight should become convinced of the need for a commission government and declare for it until just four days before the primary election. He is simply backing in on this issue at a very late day. It has been really believed in that plan of government for so long, why has he not had something to say on the question before? Has anybody seen the commission plan advocated in any of Mr. Rushlight's extensive billboard advertising or in any of his other campaign literature?"

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"More than half the Jews of the world live under such conditions, yet few indeed have been the protests from Christian pulpits. To such pulpits a mere inking of such conditions should stimulate an impassioned outcry of protest."

In speaking of prejudice in America Rabbi Wise implied that it was in part due to the teachings of the Christian minister, and that a right attitude there would help in righting the wrong.

At the close of his address he was asked a question by Rev. C. E. Cline, in which Rev. Mr. Cline used the terms "American" and "Jew" as distinguished from each other. Dr. Wise was applauded when he said, "I take excep-

RABBI PLEADS FOR JEWS

CONDITIONS IN RUSSIA BEYOND DESCRIPTION, HE SAYS.

Christian Ministers of Portland Requested to Help in Rescue of Persecuted People.

"The condition of the Jew in Russia today is one that cannot be described adequately," said Rabbi Wise in an address at the meeting of the Portland General Ministerial Association in the Y. M. C. A. building yesterday. The 6,000,000 or more persons of that unhappy faith are and have been made the special objects of such painstaking minuteness in horrible persecution as to leave no member of the race in peace for a day.

"They are crowded within a restricted pale of residence, herded into cities, not allowed to pursue many trades, debarred from agriculture, excluded from universities, technical

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